

HOUSE BILL No. 1121

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-41-17-8.

Synopsis: Newborn screenings. Establishes when a blood sample must be taken from a newborn infant for testing for certain disorders. Provides that the time requirement for taking a blood sample does not apply to preterm infants or newborn infants who receive a total exchange blood transfusion.

Effective: July 1, 2016.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 16-41-17-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 8. **(a)** Each hospital and physician shall:

(1) **subject to subsection (b)**, take or cause to be taken a blood sample from every infant born under the hospital's and physician's care; and

(2) transport or cause to be transported each blood sample described in subdivision (1) to a laboratory designated under section 7 of this chapter;

for testing for the disorders listed in section 2(a) of this chapter.

(b) This subsection does not apply to preterm infants or newborn infants who receive a total exchange blood transfusion. Except as provided in subsection (c), a newborn infant's blood sample taken under subsection (a)(1) must be collected at least twenty-four (24) hours after the infant begins a protein diet.

(c) If a newborn infant is discharged before the time set forth in subsection (b), the blood sample must be collected not earlier than



three (3) hours before the infant's discharge, and a second blood sample must be collected after forty-eight (48) hours but not later than one hundred twenty (120) hours after birth.

